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1. The following priests, living in Communist-controlled areas of South Vietnam, have broken all relations with their Catholic superiors in Vietnam:

### Curacy of Saigon

- Joachim Nguyen Ba Luat, chaplain of the We Quoc Doan (regular forces) in South Vietnam.
- 2. Pierre Nguyen Ba Kinh, recently seen at Thala (106-28, 10-55).
- 3. Andre Nguyen Ba Sang, now in prison at Chi Hoa (106-39, 10-46). The above three priests are brothers.
  - Thomas Luong Minh Ky, travels through Intersectors IX and X.
  - Paul Le Dinh Hien, travels through Intersectors VIII and IX.
  - Joseph Huynh Kim Duc, recently seen at Tan Long, Thu Dau Mot.
  - Joseph Nguyen Van Tung, recently seen at Tan Long, Thu Dau Mot.

#### Curacy of Vinh Long

- Jean Baptista Pham Van Bia
- Antoine Nguyen Kim Nui
- Jean Baptiste Ho Thanh Bien
- Barthelemy Tran Quang Nghiem
- 12, Pierre Vo Thanh Trinh.
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- Charles Nguyen Ngoc To, lives in Luong Tam (105-25, 9-37). extremely old and respected by Democratic Republic of Vietnam officials.

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- Priests of the Vinh Long curacy who have remained faithful to Bishop Ngo Dinh Thuc maintain a semi-clandestine liaison with the Catholic population of Communist-controlled territory. They are able to travel from one zone to the other without hindrance from Communist or French authorities.
- 25X1A Comment. This same source reports that the Vietnamese Surete chief, Nguyen Van Tam, is attempting to create a Catholic zone in the western provinces of Mytho, Cantho and Vinh Long, similar to that of Col. Leroy in the Ben Tre area.

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